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OHIO SPECIAL EVENT/ACTIVITIES.....

- **AMATEUR RADIO DAY AT THE ZOO.** Look for special event stations to be activated from the "Cleveland Metroparks Zoo (K8ZOO) and the RainForest (K8CRF)" by several local clubs on August 28th (9 a.m. - 7 p.m.). This day is to promote amateur radio and give the families of amateur radio operators around the world a fun day at the Cleveland Metroparks Zoo and RainForest. Discounted vouchers will be available for all amateur radio operators and families. Check-in frequency will be the NODXA 147.36 repeater. For more information, contact Dwaine, K8ME, at 216-676-7996.
- **OHIO QSO PARTY.** Many Ohio amateurs will participate in the Ohio QSO Party to be held **August 28th**. The Mad River Radio Club has assumed sponsorship of the OQP, with the assistance and support of the Cuyahoga Falls Amateur Radio Club and the Buckeye Belles, who had sponsored the contests in previous years. The major change in the OQP rules is that the contest will now be a twelve hour event. The first OQP under MRRC sponsorship will be Saturday, August 28, 1999, from noon to midnight local (EDT) time. Complete details of the event will be sent to all OPDX InterNet Subscribers as an additional bulletin.

3X, GUINEA (Another interesting callsign!). Look for Karel, ON4QY, to sign **3XY2A** from **Conakry** for the next few years. Karel was spotted this past week on 21275 kHz between 1630 and 1930z. QSL via ON4QY.

5H, TANZANIA. Wayne/K8LEE and Roger/WD8SDL will be active from **Dar es Salaam**, **October 19th through November 2nd**, as **5H3/homecall**. They will also be active as a Multi/Single entry in the **CQWW SSB Contest**, teaming up with Dave Heil and using the callsign **5H3US**. QSL via home call and 5H3US via WA8JOC.

9L, SIERRA LEONE. The "DX News Letter" reports that Jacky, F2CW/ZL3CW, is here and hopes to receive a licence for the next three months.

FO, CLIPPERTON ISLAND (To be activated in the year 2000). John, N7CQQ, and The N7CQQ Amateur Radio Club, report in a press release that they have finalizing plans for their expedition to the Clipperton Island scheduled for **February 26, 2000 through March 15, 2000**. They will be aboard the motor vessel Shogun from San Diego, California. Their goal is the following: first of all is to provide as many European and other stations with a new country on as many band modes as possible. The last operation to Clipperton Island was in 1992 (FO0CI). Going to the island, transportation is limited and very expensive. Also, difficult but not impossible to obtain are the license and landing permit, but the team has them in hand. They plan to operate from two locations each having 3 stations. Each operating location will have specialized mode/band capability to enhance the CW or SSB operation. Those specialties will cover RTTY, Satellite, 6 meters and 160 meters. List of some operators who have expressed a desire to go are: Peter/ON6TT, Charlie/W6KK, Mike/ N9NS, Al/K3VN, Vincent/G0LMX, James/9V1YC, Jacques/ZL3CW(F2CW), Arie/ PA3DUU, Werner/HB9US, Ron/W6OM (N6VO), Ruech/HB9AHL, Stan/FO5IW, Bill/ N2WB, Ralph/K0IR, Michael/N6MZ, Bob/K4UEE, Koji/JK7TKE and their host John/N7CQQ. This operation will need financial assistance due to the high costs. If you would like to help offset costs, donations can be sent to: N7CQQ Amateur Radio Club, Inc., P.O. Box 81, Searchlight, Nevada 89046 (ACCOUNT: 4961527327 Bank of America). They will have a CLIPPERTON ISLAND Web Site to provide updated information as the operation progresses. This site is made possible by the endless efforts of Doug, N6RT. The complete press release will be sent to all OPDX InterNet Subscribers as an additional bulletin.

FO0, AUSTRAL ISLANDS. "The 59(9) DXReport" reports that JK1TKE will be active **October 14-24th** from **Tubuai Island**. Activity will be on HF and 6 Meters. No callsign was given.

IOTA NEWS.....

- **NEW IOTA!** Look for Dan/VK8AN and Peter/VK8PW (ex-VE8PW) to activate **South Goulburn Island** located in the Northern Territory, Arafura Sea Coast Central Group, **August 27-29th**. The Coordinates are: 11' 40" S and 133' 25" E. No IOTA reference number has been assigned yet. Dan will use an IC-706 and Peter an IC-735. Antennas will be a Cushcraft R-5 for 10/12/15/17/20 and a dipole for 20m as a back up. They will use their **own calls/p** and each have their own QSL arrangements. VK8AN/p is as usual via VK4AAR (direct only) POB 421, Gatton 4343, Australia. VK8PW/p is to his home: Peter Wollenberg, Box 2142, Darwin 0801, Australia (or to VE8RZ via Canadian bureau. DO NOT QSL EITHER STATION VIA THE VK BUREAU).
- **EU-133.** Serge/UA1ANA/1 and Slawa/RA1ACJ will be active from **Moshnyj Island** (RR-01-03, new for the RRC Islands program) **now until August 28th**. They will use two IC-706MKII, R7000, and a 10 element beam on 2 meters.
- **NA-201.** Look for **T46AA** and **T46CW** to be on the air **August 26-30th**, from **Key Breton**. Six Cuban operators will be active during 58 hours on SSB and CW simultaneously on the 10/15/20/40/80 meters. This DXpedition could be postponed until next month, in case of bad climate conditions. QSL via C02FRC.
- **SA-046.** A group of Brazilian hams will operate from the island of **Santo Aleixo** (DIB PE-03 for the Brazilian Islands Award). The operation will be on all HF bands (CW and SSB) from **September 3-12th**. The special callsign **ZV7G** will be used by the following operators: PT7AA (Tino CW op.), PY5APL (Paulo), PY7DDJ (Wallace), PY7HH (Hermes), PY7MEU (Eglaube), PY7RNE (Lineu) and PY7XC (Jim CW op.). QSL via

PY7MEU (Eglaube Rocha, P.O. Box 322, 50001-970 RECIFE-PE). Via the Bureau is OK!

KH3, JOHNSTON ISLAND. Bill, NH6D, will be back on Johnston Island **August 24-27th**. Bill currently does not know what damage hurricane Dora did to the antenna or the ham shack. The shack is very old and has numerous entries for possible water damage. Bill will attempt to operate on all bands, and he is hoping to be able to load up on 12/17/40/80/160 meters this trip. Dick, N6FF, hopes to post the logs daily, if there is reliable Internet access from KH3.

LX, LUXEMBOURG. Look for a group of DL operators and Luxemburg operators will sign **LX0RL** from the LX IARU Society in Eisenborn between **August 28th-September 3rd**. QSL via DL4FCH (only for this operation). All QSOs will be answered automatically via bureau, but if you want to send direct, QSLs to: Peter Niksch, Saalburgstr. 4, D-60385 Frankfurt, Germany.

OX, GREENLAND. Joergen, OZ8AE, will sign **OX/OZ8AE** and be active from **Groennedal** near Ivigtut in the Southern part of Greenland (NA-018) from **September 4th - October 5th**. Activity will be on all bands CW. He will take part in the **SAC Contest (CW)** on **September 18th 1200z-September 19th 1200z** (Please note NEW operating hours this year. For details, check the Web site <http://www.sk3bg.se/contest/>). Joergen might also be active on the **SSB** section of the **SAC Contest** on **September 25th 1200-September 26th 1200z**. QSL to OZ8AE direct or via the bureau.

PZ, SURINAME. Bob, K3BYV, now signing as **PZ5DX** until (at least) **January, 2000**, was very active this past week. His activity was mainly on 15 and 10 meters SSB 1430 and 1800z. Check 28420 (and up) and 21355 kHz. He has also been heard on 20 and 12 meters after 2100z. QSL via K3BYV.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

- QSL **J41LH** via SV3AGQ. This station was during last weekend's Lighthouse /Lightship activity. This Lighthouse is situated at Cape Melagavi (38 01'49" N 22 51'00" E, KM18KA).
- Mario, DJ2MX is now QSL manager for following stations: **T94DX, T94MZ, T94DO, T92T, T95LYS** and **VK4SK**. QSLs are OK via DL bureau or direct to: Mario Lovric, Am Oelberg 11, Bad Nauheim 61231 - Germany. QSLs can be requested online at: <http://www.qsl.net/dj2mx/>
- Doug, N6RT, reports that the following new logs are now online at: <http://dx.qsl.net/logs/>

JW/DF6VI (August 1999)	TM0AIN (thru June 1999)
KH3/NH6D (thru August 13, 1999)	KH2/N2NL (thru July 27, 1999)
9K2HN (thru August 11, 1999)	G5M and GB0SM (IOTA EU-011, July 1999)
JW/DL4OCM (August 1999)	

- QSL **SV2AEL/8 (Op Savas)** for the July/August DXpedition to Ithaki Island (IOTA EU-052) to SV2AEL home callsign.
- Nello, IK2DUW, reports that he is now the new QSL Manager of the following stations: **3W6LI (Hau), 3W6KA (Hoang), EK6LV (Sem), BA4RE (Yee), RU0LL** and **RU0LL/p** (Alex's IOTA AS-066 DXpedition July 30th- August 1st 1999).

RARE/NEW IOTA'S TO BE ACTIVATED (Update, Please Refer to [OPDX.421](#)). Stuie,

VK8NSB, Team Leader, reports at the present no callsigns are confirmed, but they hope to have **VK8MI** for **Melville Island** and **VK8CI** for **Croker Island**. A QSL Manager is not set at the moment.

SV, GREECE. Stathis, SV1DKL, reports that he will be in the **1999 CQWW SSB Contest** in October from a super DX/Contest site located about 1975 meters high on top of a mountain. He plans on running Single Op/All Bands/Low Power, using solar cells. He has already made accommodations for his antenna setups which include the following: 2 X FD-4 Windoms, Full Dipole for 160m, a 100m long wire and hundreds of 10-50 meters radials. He wants to be in or ranked in the first 10 of Europe's SOAB Low Power Category.

T2, TUVALU (Also 3D2/Fiji). Just a quick reminder! (Please, refer to [OPDX.411](#)) Look for Roberto, EA4DX, to be active from **Funafuti (OC-015)**, Tuvalu, beginning **August 26th through September 12th**. His callsign will be received upon his arrival. Later, he will operate as **3D2DX** from **Viti Levu (Fiji, IOTA OC-016)** from **September 13-16th**. Activity on both islands should be 80-10 meters SSB. Suggested frequencies: 3795-3799, 7042-7045, 14195, 18135, 21295, 24945 and 28395 kHz. QSL via EA4CP. A log search will be available after his return at the URL: <http://www.qsl.net/ea4dx/>

T31 & ZK3, CENTRAL KIRIBATI AND TOKELAU (More info!). Lech, LA7MFA, informs OPDX that he is pleased to announce the official Home Page of the 1999 "Double Trouble" Pacific DXpedition to Kanton and Tokelau Islands. The address of their Web page is: <http://www.qsl.net/t31t/> Lech has been appointed the Web page administrator and he states that the page is still in its early stages, but they are working on it. He also mentions that you can also contact them by sending an E-mail to: t31t@qsl.net

VP2M, MONTSEERRAT. A group of members from the Bavarian Contest Club (BCC) will activate VP2M (**NA-108**) from **October 25th through November 9th**. Activity will be on all bands from 160-6 meters on SSB. Upon request, operators Chris/DL5NAM (Team Leader), Uwe/DL9NDS and Klaus DL7NFK will do CW or RTTY/Pactor. QSL direct via CBA of DL5NAM.

VU7, LAKSHADWEEP ISLAND. Bad News. The planned operation from the Lakshadweep Islands (formerly known as the Laccadive Islands) which was to be active in the fall of this year, **has now been postponed until March 2000**. The reason for the postponement of the DXpedition is due to some of the final approvals and personal schedules.

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND. Paul, **ZD8V** (KF4OOX), was active this past week on 14247 kHz between 0100 and 0300z. Paul informed OPDX that he will be leaving the island and going on vacation September 8-13th. He should be back on Ascension **September 14th**. Paul mentions he will be attending the Melbourne (FL) Hamfest on September 11-12th while stateside.

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